## FREDERICK COUNTY LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD

Mental Health Association 263 W. Patrick Street Frederick, MD 21702 September 25, 2017

## Present:

Shelly Toms, Family Partnership
Stacy Wantz, YMCA Head Start
Chief Edward Hargis, Frederick City Police
Miles Ward, Human Relations Department
Wayne Horrell, Private Citizen
Jet Reid, Frederick County Public Schools
Bill Keefer, Frederick County Division of Juvenile
Services
Marsha Nelson-Duncan, Private Citizen
Jenifer Winkler, Way Station

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Eric Levine, Clearview Communities
Grace Rodriquez, Developmental Disabilities
Administration

Organizations not in attendance: Mental Health Management Agency Frederick County Department of Social Services Ken Oldham, United Way
Kelli Goetz, Office for Children and Families
Julie Marker, YMCA
Pippa McCullough, Mental Health Management
Agency
Carmen Kaarid, Intern/Family Partnership
Robin Inskeep, Frederick County Finance
Leslie Barnes, Office for Children and Families
Pat Fleet, Office for Children and Families
Miriam Dobson, Frederick County Health
Department

- I. The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by Jenifer Winkler, Chair. Introductions were made around the room. The minutes were unanimously approved with no changes with a motion by Wayne Horrell and a second by Leslie Barnes.
- II. Directors Report
  - Leslie announced that Wayne Horrell was elected Vice-chair by electronic vote.
  - The Office for Children and Families has moved to 401 Sagner Ave.
  - Kelli Goetz was introduced as the new fiscal manager for OCF and CSD. She will be
    responsible for reporting the financial status to the LMB at the meetings. She will
    also be looking into other grant resources and will be responsible for the results
    scorecard.
  - Leslie had a NOFA debriefing with GOC. She reported that she did not learn
    anything new. There were a few errors in the NOFA however nothing that changed
    the score. GOC is considering having a 3 year cycle for base funding. It has been
    recommended that future NOFA's be separated into two applications (one for base
    and one for competitive funding).
  - The LMB by-laws are scheduled to be reviewed. Leslie, Jen and Wayne will meet to review and edit. The by-laws will be sent to the full LMB for a review prior to submission to the County Executive's office for final approval.
  - The LMB has earned reinvestment funds that should be spent by June. Robin Inskeep and Leslie are working with GOC to identify the correct amount. Leslie

requested that a subcommittee convene to identify spending priorities to bring back to the full LMB for final approval. Robin Inskeep, Leslie Barnes, Eric Levine, Pippa McCullough, Marsha Duncan and Jenifer Winkler volunteered to work on this effort. Anyone with ideas should send them to Jenifer Winkler for inclusion in the subcommittee's discussion.

III. Mental Health Association: Reducing the impact of Incarceration on Children and Families through Education and Coaching.

Anne Soule presented facts and statistics.

- Any given day, estimated 90,000 Maryland children have a parent incarcerated, on parole or probation (2,000 children in Frederick)
- More than 50% of incarcerated parents were the primary financial support

Children of incarcerated parents are more likely to:

- Become homeless or enter foster care
- Demonstrate anti-social behavior, particularly in school
- Younger children less likely to be kindergarten-ready
- Have higher rates of anxiety, depression, PTSD and verbal regression
- Witnessing the arrest of a parent amplifies these issues

Priorities for the program are: Presenting Parenting for afar classes, creating goal plans for incarcerated parents and one on one coaching.

The program outcomes are to provide parents with increase knowledge by the end of the session. Coached Parents will meet one or more of the goals that were set and parents not reoffending in a 6 month period. (See attachment A.)

- IV. Chris Coville presented information on the S. T. A. R. S program.
  - Sports and Recreation
  - Tutoring & Academic Enrichment
  - Art & Humanities
  - Readiness Training for College & Careers
  - Service Learning & Community Service

The initiative will support students from 5 middle schools, hosting the activities and services at 3 locations. The program partners with Goodwill, New Spire Arts and Frederick County Public Schools.

The YMCA of Frederick has the largest afterschool program in the county and the country. They offer quality programing with active engagement.

The Priorities are to serve 150 students with 30 children per site as the enrollment grows they will expand from the 3 schools to 5. At the present time students from 2 of the schools are

transported to other sites. The YMCA already has the infrastructure in place to enhance the out of school program, they offer free youth membership for students that participate in the program. On early release days and out of school days and spring break the YMCA continues to serve the students on location. (See attachment B.)

V. The meeting was adjourned.